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INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE COUNTY

News Letters From Many
Sections.

CORRESPONDENTS GIVE LOCAL NEWS

Happenings of Interest to Many People
All Over the County and to Those
Who Have Left the Family Hearth-
stone and Gone to Other States.

CENTER POINT NEWS.

Misses Maude and Eva Moore, are
visiting the former's sister, Mrs. C. R.
Bryant, of Fountain Inn this week.

Misses Minnie and Mayme Miller,
visited Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Finley, of
Maddens, the latter part of last week.

Mrs. R. G. Watson and son, Master
R. G., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
M. L. C. Moore last week.

Mr. G. B. Teague and family, were
callers at Mrs. W. I. Miller's Sunday
afternoon.

Miss Mayme Miller and brother,
Jones, attended services at Union Sun-
day.

SHILOH NEWS.

A series of meeting of five days at
Shiloh, conducted by the pastor, Rev.
T. W. Munnerlyn, assisted by Rev.
Mr. Bellvine, of Anderson, closed Fri-
day night. The preaching services,
both day and night were attended by
large crowds and everyone enjoyed the
meeting. Good results were obtained.
No candidates received for baptism.

John Fuller, (colored,) who lives on
Mr. L. S. Bolt's place, lost his barn
crib with some oats, wheat straw,
buggy and miscellaneous articles by
fire last Saturday. Children playing
with matches was the cause.

Mr. W. C. Gray, who got his right
shoulder bone broken two weeks ago,
is getting on O. K. Dr. J. W. Beason
and Dr. Vincent of Laurens, set the
bone.

Mr. J. T. Dagnell is no better. His
illness is being feared by all for the
worse.

Mr. Henry Knight had a good mule
to die last week.

Mr. H. O. Abercrombie lost a fine
milk cow the other day.

Mr. John R. Owings and two sisters,
Misses Cora Lee and Olete, of Oak-
ville community, were on the hilltop
of Shiloh two days last week visiting
their kindred and meeting their
friends of other days and attending
the meeting here.

Miss Genet Boyd, an accomplished
young lady of Fountain Inn, is visit-
ing her aunts, Mrs. J. C. Abercrombie
and Mrs. S. P. Bolt here and making
new acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hellams will
leave tomorrow, Tuesday, for Due
West. They will be gone the remain-
der of the week. While there they
will be the guests of Mrs. Hellams' pa-
rents, Mr. and Mrs. Brewster. This is
Mrs. Hellams' first trip to her old
home since her marriage in December
1914. We hope she will have the best
kind of a time and enjoy every minute
of it.

DIALS.

Mrs. H. V. Simmons has returned
from a pleasant visit with relatives in
Greenwood and Donalds.

Miss Ostell Willis has returned to
her home after a delightful visit to
Mr. and Mrs. J. Archie Willis, of At-
lanta, Ga.

Misses Annie Belle and Bess Chil-
dress, of Laurens, visited their grand-
mother, Mrs. I. S. Brooks last week.

Miss Willie May Godfrey, has re-
turned from an extended sojourn with
relatives in Tuxedo, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harris and
family, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Harris
and children, Mrs. J. R. Brownlee and
Mr. John Brownlee, were the spend-
the-day guests of Mr. D. D. Harris and
family Tuesday.

Mrs. Essie Roberts of Blackburg, is
visiting her sister, Mrs. Ambrose Hol-
der now.

Mrs. Irving and children, of Tuxedo,
N. C., are the summer guests of Mr.
and Mrs. John Godfrey.

Mr. Jess Lipford of Donalds, spent
last week-end with Mr. John Simmons,
having motored over after his sister,
Miss Nellie and her guests, Misses
Marie and Mattie Simmons.

Miss Jewell Curry was a recent vis-
itor in Enoree, where she was the

COTTON FARMERS RAISING TOBACCO

Two Aiken County Farmers Go Into
New Line of Agriculture. Meet With
Success.

Aiken, July 29.—W. W. Holley, Sr.,
and W. W. Holley, Jr., who live a few
miles from the city of Aiken and who
are disciples of the splendid gospel of
diversified farming, have this year be-
tween, thirty-five and forty acres of as
good tobacco as is grown anywhere
in the State of South Carolina, so says
the field agent of the Southern Rail-
way. Mr. Perrin further says he is of
the opinion that, with the possible ex-
ception of a few stretches of rather
bad land, the soil of Aiken County is
as a whole admirable for the purposes
of tobacco cultivation, and if it were
taken up on the proper scale, as good
tobacco as is grown anywhere in the
tobacco belt could be produced in
Aiken County with about half the work
required to raise cotton and at a deal
better profit.

Practically Pioneers.

However, for some reason the far-
mers of Aiken County have never taken
very intensively or seriously to the
cultivation of tobacco, and the Holleys
are practically pioneers in this phase
of farming, so far as Aiken County
is concerned; it being understood that
with the exception of a ten-acre patch
at Ellenton, this county, no other to-
bacco is grown in the county. But
despite the fact that this is their first
year with tobacco and that they have
been hampered not a little by inex-
perience, the Holleys have on the
whole been very successful with this
first crop, the most substantial diffi-
culty now confronting them being the
matter of a market, since so far the to-
bacco industry in Aiken County is not
large enough to warrant the establish-
ment of even a branch market.

May Increase Scale.

However, if this difficulty can be ob-
viated and the product disposed of at
a reasonable profit, these very pro-
gressive farmers expect next year to
cultivate tobacco on a more extensive
scale, since they have already paid
this year the first and big expense of
initial preparation and now can in-
crease their acreage without having
to make at the same time any very ma-
terial increase in expenditures.

Four barns have been erected for
curing the tobacco. The first barn-lot
was cured last week. Although it was
the first tobacco gathered and com-
posed mainly of the ground leaves, it
was a very pretty grade of tobacco,
notwithstanding the leaves being ex-
ceptionally large and bright, and the
Holley darkies are already substitut-
ing for "Juke's mixtry."

Made Annual Settlement.

Comptroller General Carlton W.
Sawyer was in the city Friday and
witnessed the annual settlement be-
tween the county officers. This was
the first visit that the Comptroller
General had made to the city since
his appointment and he spent quite
awhile visiting his numerous friends
here. Mr. Sawyer dropped into The
Advertiser office while here for a brief
call and took occasion to speak in
very high terms of the condition of the
county's books.

guest of Miss Bess Moore.

The picnic at Wham's lawn Friday,
was as usual, a success. A large
crowd was present and nothing hap-
pened to mar the pleasures of the day.
Although several of the speakers in-
vited, to the disappointment of many,
were unable to come. Mr. Carl Whar-
ton, Col. Wharton, Dr. Stewart and
Mr. R. A. Cooper were on hand, and in
their happiest mood, and their ad-
dresses were enjoyed by all.

The Young People's Missionary so-
ciety met and spent a most enjoyable
evening Thursday at the hospitable
home of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomason.
Their daughter, Miss Lilly being the
hostess. The time passed all too soon
in playing Rook and other progres-
sive games. At 10:30 the dining room
doors were thrown open and the
guests were ushered in, and were
served delicious cream and cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Thomason, vis-
ited Mr. Lewis Gilliard's family, near
Fountain Inn Thursday.

Messrs. Willie Abercrombie and Da-
vid Brownlee, will leave in a few
days for Johnson City, Tenn., where
they will visit for a while.

Mr. Eugene Abercrombie of Honea
Path, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Marion Armstrong, of the U. S.
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MAIL OUT TICKETS FOR THE ELECTION

For Primary on August 10th, One
Week From Next Tuesday.

Columbia, July 28.—Secretary W. C.
McGowan of the State Democratic ex-
ecutive committee said today that he
had mailed out 150,000 tickets to the
Fourth congressional district for use
in the primary on August 10th. These
tickets mailed to the county chairmen
of the counties of Laurens, Union,
Spartanburg and Greenville, which
comprise this district.

The voters of the Fourth district
will hold a primary on August 10th,
one week from next Tuesday, for the
purpose of nominating a candi-
date for congress to succeed Jos. T.
Johnson, who resigned to become
judge of the Western Federal district
of this State. A second primary, if
necessary, will be held two weeks la-
ter. The general election takes place
on September 14.

There are six candidates in the race
for the Democratic nomination,
which is equivalent to election. They
are: B. A. Morgan of Greenville, A.
H. Miller of Greers, Sam J. Nicholls,
R. J. Gantt, I. C. Blackwood, all of
Spartanburg, W. W. Johnson, of Un-
ion. Laurens is the only county in
the district which has no candidate
and it is the general impression that
the candidate which carries the larger
part of the Laurens vote will have
a big lead towards landing the plum.

Several of the candidates are known
outside their district. Messrs. Black-
wood, Nicholls and Morgan have serv-
ed in the legislature.

Will Move to Georgia.

Mr. G. S. Klugh and family left yester-
day for Ninety Six where they will
spend a few days before going on to
their new home in Barnesville, Geor-
gia. He has bought a business in that
city, where he will be located in the
future. Mr. and Mrs. Klugh have
made Laurens their home for several
years and while here made numerous
friends who regret to see them de-
part. Mr. Klugh, while here, was the
capable manager of the Red Hot Rack-
et Store.

WILL LEAVE LAURENS.

Mr. T. J. McAllister Has Accepted a
Position in Jackson Georgia and
Will Leave This Week.

Hundreds of friends throughout the
city and county will regret to learn
that Mr. T. J. McAllister has resigned
his position with Davis-Roper Com-
pany and has accepted a more lucra-
tive position with the Jackson Mer-
cantile Company of Jackson, Ga. Mr.
McAllister will leave the latter part
of this week for his new home. The
many friends of the family will be
glad to know that Mrs. McAllister and
the children will remain in Laurens
until after next summer.

Mr. McAllister came to Laurens
about four years ago to accept a po-
sition with Davis-Roper Company as
buyer and manager of the dry goods
department and was not long in pro-
ving himself a most capable, efficient
and courteous business man. During
his stay here he has made a great
bunch of business friends and friends
outside of business, who sincerely re-
gret to see him leave Laurens.

MEETING OF VETERANS.

Co. F, 11th Regiment, S. C. V., to Hold
its Annual Reunion at Langston
Church.

W. F. Wright, Secretary, has issued
the following notice to the soldiers
and friends of Co. F, to gather at
Langston church for the annual reu-
nion on August 19th:

"Co. F, 11th Regiment, U. C. V., will
hold its annual reunion on August 19th
at Langston church. Everybody come
and bring well filled baskets. Leave
your troubles at home, give the old
boys one more good day and be happy
yourselves."

W. F. Wright, Sec.

Operating Big Farm.

Mr. N. B. Dial returned to the city
several days ago from McBee, where
he had gone with several young men
from this county who are considering
buying lands there on the favorable
terms which Mr. Dial's company is of-
fering. Mr. Dial stated that while
there he completed arrangements for
the operation of a thousand acre farm
on a part of his company's holdings
there.

WILL MAKE TWO ADDRESSES HERE

Treasurer of Anderson College Will
Make Talks Sunday Morning and
Evening at Baptist Church.

Mr. Burnett, the treasurer of An-
derson College for Girls will be in
Laurens next Sunday and will make
two addresses in the Baptist church.
In the morning at 11 o'clock he will
talk upon "Christian Education" and
in the evening at 8:30 he will ad-
dress the congregation upon the sub-
ject, "The Conservation of Boyhood."
At both of these services the members
of the other congregations in the city
will be cordially welcomed and it is
hoped that many will take advantage
of the opportunity to hear Mr. Burn-
ett. He is reputed to be an exception-
ally fine speaker and well-versed in
the subjects he has selected for his
discourses.

DEATH OF WILL A. WILLIS.

One of Laurens County's Best Known
Citizens Passes Away After a Very
Short Illness.

Mr. Will A. Willis, a prominent and
well-loved citizen of Owings passed
away at his home last Saturday night
after only three hours of illness. Mr.
Willis had attended the funeral of his
mother-in-law at Durban church cem-
etery Saturday evening and returned
home in his usual good health and
spirits. After retiring he slept for
several hours and about midnight
awoke with complaints of pains
around his neck and head. The pains
increased and at three o'clock he passed
away. The funeral services were
conducted Sunday at 10 o'clock at the
Dials Methodist church. The services
were conducted by Rev. Mr. Munner-
lyn.

Mr. Willis is survived by his wife,
two sons and three daughters, namely,
Mr. Archie Willis, of Atlanta, Ga.,
Vernon Willis, Mrs. R. E. Moore, Mrs.
Maud Yeargin, and Miss Ostelle Willis
of Owings. He is also survived by his
mother, Mrs. Lizzie Willis of Owings,
who is some eighty years of age.

Mr. Willis was a good Christian
man, upright in all his dealings with
his fellowmen. He was for some time
a steward in the Methodist church
and withal a good useful man who al-
ways stood for the right as he saw it.
There are hundreds of friends of the
family over the county who sympa-
thize most deeply with the family in
their sore bereavement.

ATTENDING STATE COUNCIL.

Two Laurens Citizens' High Officials
of Junior Order American Mechanics

Messrs. W. P. Thomason and H.
Terry left yesterday for Columbia
where they will remain several days
attending the State Council Junior
Order of Mechanics. Mr. Thomason
holds the highest state office in the
gift of the order and will preside over
the meetings being held in Columbia.
Mr. Terry is one of the big national
guns, being National Executive Com-
mitteeman from South Carolina.

Martin Secures Bail.

Attorneys for Will Martin, the white
man charged with the killing of a
neighbor, McPherson, near Waterloo
several weeks ago, renewed the ap-
plication for bail before Chief Justice
Gary at Abbeville Monday. Bail was
granted in the sum of \$5,000. The
defendant was represented by Feather-
stone & Knight. Mr. Cooper appear-
ed for the state. Bondsmen have not
yet been secured.

Clerk of Court Returns.

Mr. C. A. Power, the clerk of court,
returned last week from his western
trip and attendance upon the nation-
al convention of the Woodmen of the
World. Mr. Power was delighted with
his trip. He visited a number of wes-
tern cities, among them Chicago,
where he happened to be on the day of
the Eastland disaster. Mr. Power
passed the Eastland about twenty
minutes before she turned over and
passed her again shortly after the ap-
palling disaster. He brought with
him several of the Chicago papers
gotten out immediately after the dis-
aster, showing pictures of the ill-fat-
ed ship and many of her passengers.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY AT TRINITY RIDGE

Preparations Have Been Made for a
Large Crowd to Attend the Rally
Friday, the 6th.

Congressman Ashbury Lever and Ex-
Senator John L. McLaurin have ac-
cepted the invitation of the committee
to make addresses at the educational
rally and farmer's day at Trinity
Ridge school Friday. Ex-Gov. Ansel
has not yet accepted and may not at-
tend, though a final answer has not
yet been received from him. At any
rate, it may safely be said that peo-
ple for miles around will be there
Friday to hear Congressman Lever
and Senator McLaurin. Their sub-
jects have not been announced, but in
all probability their speeches will be
along agricultural lines.

A secondary object of the meeting
is to raise funds for the benefit of the
school. This is to be accomplished
by serving a barbecue dinner, which
the committees in charge are guaran-
teeing will surpass anything yet at-
tempted in that vicinity. The dinner
will be served in such style that the
rush for things to eat and dishes to
put them in, typical of many barbe-
cues, will not be necessary. Arrange-
ments for an ample supply of dishes,
knives, forks, etc., have already been
made. In addition to the barbecue
and those things that go along with
it, a fish stew will also be served to
those who desire it without extra cost.
The barbecue will be served at 50c a
plate.

Enjoyed Camping Trip.

A party chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs.
W. E. Bramlett returned to the city
Friday evening after having spent
about two weeks camping at Yarb-
orough's Mill. The trip was a delight-
ful one in every way and greatly en-
joyed. Besides the chaperones, the
following composed the party: Misses
Rosalie and Allene Franks, Avie Ma-
haffee, Carol Roper, Rucia Wolff, Es-
ther Fowler, all of Laurens and Miss
Emmie Robertson of Clinton, Messrs.
E. O. Anderson, Henry Franks, Gus
Babb, Tommie Owings, of Laurens,
Spurgeon Sumner and Fred Fowler,
of Clinton, and Jake Ballenger,
of Seneca. Three youngsters, Charlie
Franks, Harry Johnson and Roy Ow-
ings, were also in the party.

Still Spreading Out.

Charlie Hendrix, one of the thriv-
ing Greek colony here, is contemplat-
ing opening a cafe in Shelby, N. C., to
be run in connection with his business
here. He has already been up there
and looked over the field and has
about decided to close the deal.

Babb Elected County Chairman.

At a meeting of the county execu-
tive committee held last Thursday,
County Chairman W. C. Irby, Jr., sub-
mitted his resignation. The names of
R. E. Babb and Geo. A. Browning, Jr.,
were placed in nomination for elec-
tion to the vacancy. Mr. Babb was
elected by one vote. In addition to
this, only routine matters were at-
tended to.

ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY.

Congressman to Take Judge Johnson's
Place to be Selected.

Next Tuesday the tenth marks the
wind-up of the race for congress. The
polls will be open at eight in the
morning and close at four in the
afternoon. The six candidates are all
most positive of being the chosen one
and judging from the reception that
each has received over the district
each has some claim to the belief that
he will locate in Washington for the
winter months. The six candidates
are B. A. Morgan of Greenville, W.
W. Johnson of Union, Sam J. Nicholls
of Spartanburg, H. A. Miller of Greer,
R. E. Gantt of Spartanburg and Ira
C. Blackwood of Spartanburg.

The campaign for the congressional
seat has been one of the most orderly,
instructive and respectable that has
been held in these parts in many a
moon. Each of the racers confined
himself to the facts and figures in
his own platform and refrained from
the usual mud-slinging contest. Eight
campaign meetings were held in Lau-
rens county and at each a fairly good-
sized audience appeared to hear the
sides of the contestants.

The friends here of Dr. and Mrs. C.
L. Poole will regret to learn that they
lost one of their little girls several days
ago when the child was overcome by
flames while playing with fire.

CONFERENCE FOR COMMON GOOD

Notable Speakers to Make
Addresses Saturday

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS ALSO TO FOLLOW

In Addition to the Conference for
Common Good, the County Trustees
Association Will Meet in the Court
House. Large Crowd is Expected.

All preparations have been complet-
ed for the Conference for Common
Good which is to be held in this city
Saturday. The meeting will be held
at Holmes Spring, near the passenger
station, and will begin at 10:30 o'clock.
Superintendent of Education James H.
Sullivan will preside. Luncheon will
be sold on the grounds to those who
come without dinner, but the basket
picnic is expected to play an impor-
tant part in feeding the crowds.

Four of the state's most noted edu-
cators have been engaged to make ad-
dresses. Congressman Lever will
speak on the subject, "The High Cost
of Ignorance"; State Superintendent
of Education J. E. Swearingen will
speak on "Education"; Prof. W. W.
Long will speak on "The Value of
State Demonstration"; Rev. L. P. Mc-
Gee, of Greenwood, will speak on
"The Church in Forming Public Sentiment." It will thus be seen that there
has been an endeavor to establish a
relationship between the state, the
schools and the church. All of those
who are interested in the educational
life of the county are expected to at-
tend.

Following the big conference Satur-
day, a series of conferences will be
held in the different townships the fol-
lowing week. At these conferences
Mr. Lueco Gunter, state supervisor
of rural schools, Mr. H. B. Humbert,
Mr. J. H. Sullivan and a local minister
of the respective township will make
addresses. The following is the itine-
rary of the township conferences:

Monday—Gray Court-Owings,
Tuesday—Wallace Lodge,
Tuesday Night—Warrior Creek,
Wednesday—Poplar,
Wednesday Night—Mt. Olive,
Thursday—Waterloo,
Thursday Night—Cross Hill,
Friday—Soul's Chapel,
Saturday—Mountville.

The township chairmen are expect-
ing the people of the different town-
ships to turn out in force at each
meeting. The day meetings will be-
gin about 11 o'clock and the night
meetings about 8:00 o'clock.

Buys House and Lot.

Mr. Broadus Clardy has purchased
the house and lot of Mrs. Anna West,
on West Main street, next to the home
of Mr. D. H. Counts. The deal was
made through B. M. Wolff, agent. The
consideration was not made public.

Bailey Brothers Suffer Loss.

Clinton, S. C., July 28.—The large
mercantile establishment of Bailey
Brothers, one of the oldest and strong-
est business concerns of the town was
completely destroyed tonight by fire.

The alarm was given shortly after
nine o'clock and the fire department
responded promptly but fought the
flames to no avail, the entire two-story
building and all its contents was de-
stroyed, not a dollars worth of go-
ods being saved.

No cause was known for the fire.
The total loss was about fifty thou-
sand dollars and was a total loss, al-
though not heavy enough to cover the
loss.

The firm is composed of R. L. and
C. C. Bailey.

Mrs. W. H. Jernigan Buried Here.

Mrs. W. H. Jernigan, wife of a former
policeman of this city, died in Foun-
tain Inn July 21st and was buried here
the following day, the funeral being
attended by many relatives and
friends.

Mrs. P. H. Martin, after a delightful
visit to her sister, Mrs. Dr. Geo. Mos-
ley, near Union, returned to her home
at Maddens the latter part of last
week. While there she also visited
Mrs. Tom Hollis, Mrs. Simpson Ball
and Mr. Hiram Yarbrough, all well
known residents of this county.